# ENTENTE GRANTS

tary Staffs Will Discuss Concessions.

GALLWITZ MARCHES

Seeks to Drive Allies from Vardar Valley-Bulgars Re-

pulsed on Cerna.

London, Dec. 7.—An agreement for a conference of Greek military authorities and military representatives of the Entente powers to examine into a conference of Greek military au-thorities and military representatives of the Entente powers to examine into of the Enterior property of the lies, who continue to land troops at and report upon the necessities of the Salonica, have completed their preparasituation respecting the Allied demands tions. It is reported that the Gerupon Greece has been reached and the mans have forty thousand men available. There is no indication of the preliminary steps toward the confersal preparations. It is reported that the Gerupon Greece has been reached and the man and the man and the confersal preparations.

ence taken. Premier Skouloudis announced in Athens to-day that a settlement could then be reached.

"To-day this was finally accepted,
and Colonel Fallis, of the General Staff,
is leaving for Salonica to consult General Sarrail, the French commander, to
this end," said the Premier.

"Respecting the railroads, the Greek
government has never been aware that
the personnel was inadequate for the
handling of the immense increase in
traffic due to the military uses to which
the railways now are put, but Mr. Bouthe railways now are put, but Mr. Bouralli was unwilling to surrender control of his own property. As General Sarail offers to assist in the operation of the railways, leaving Greek control unquestioned, the government is only too glad to accept."

"What about hunting down Austro-German submarines in Greek territorial waters." asked the interviewer.

"That touches our sovereignty," replied the Premier, "We protest to the world, especially to America, also a neutral, that we cannot sanction violathe railways now are put, but Mr. Bou-

plied the Fremier. We protest to the world, especially to America, also a neutral, that we cannot sanction viola-tions of our territory. But what can we do! We have only a small navy and we go! We have only a small havy all a vast coastline. We can only protest.

What we want to avoid, what we shall avoid, is associating Greece with the uncertain outcome of the war. Had we joined the Allies last spring, when we were urged to do so, to day we would have to bear the bulk of the cost of the failure of the Gallipoli venture. Had we joined the inception of the recent Austro-German-Bulgarian attack on Serbia we would now be bearing a large part of the price in blood and devastation following the crushing of the Serbians.
"By following the two principles we

stand by as governing Greece's foreign policy we have been saved these two disasters. We should continue to fol-low them, for in them is our only sal-

"I think I may say," continued the Fremier, "that the air, surcharged for months with misunderstandings, is at last clearing; that the Entente powers are beginning to understand that while we are immovable on the two heads ust stated, we are disposed in every other respect to give material expres

other respect to give material expres-sion to the feeling every Greek has toward France, Great Britain and Russia, dating from Navarino." The Athens correspondent of the Patis "Matin" in a dispatch relative to the attitude of Greece toward the

to the attitude of Greece toward the Entente Powers says:

"The government is simply playing for time, hoping that the Entente Al-lies will be forced to the sea by the Austro-Germans and Bulgars. It will be found in a week or so that an agreement between the Greek and the Allied staffs cannot be reached, and that the

government will declare that, notwith-standing Greece's traditional good will toward the Entente Powers, it cannot

GREEK REQUEST

FOR CONFERENCE

Premier Announces Military Staffs Will Distraction

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Toward the Entente Powers, it cannot accede to their demands."

The correspondent affirms that the only effective course is to apply a blockade to Greece, and adds:

"It will be all the more fruitful in results since popular discontent with the royal policy is growing perceptibly. If the elections had been held three weeks ago the Venizelos party would have been beaten, but now, nothwithstanding the extraordinary conditions under which they will be held, he is likely to get a majority. A blockade not only would starve the population, but would run the mercantile marine, Greece's sole source of wealth. Con-Greece's sole source of wealth. Con-sequently the general public is deeply agitated and business circles are anx-

During the past two months there During the past two months there has been a considerable veering of public opinion in Rumania in favor of the neutrality policy of Premier Bratiano, says the Bucharest correspondent of the "Journal de Geneve."

Defeat of the Bulgarians in attacks on the French line at three points—at Abozarki, Demir-kapu and Costmorno—is reported in a Havas dispatch from Athena. The engagements took place on December 5.

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but one report says that five Allied di-visions (nearly one hundred thousand

est importance.

The Serbian retreat into Albania is proving difficult because of the cold weather and the bad state of the roads. thousand Austrian prisoners. There are now one hundred thousand Serbian treeps and twenty thousand refusees gatherd in Albania, the Athens advices

battle, therefore, will be of the great-

men) have been landed thus far.

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The capture of Ipek, a Montenegrin town fifteen miles inside the border, and of thirteen hundred prisoners south of Novibazar is announced in the official reports from Berlin and Vienna. GERMAN OFFICIAL.

The Berlin official is a. follows:
The city of Ipek (in Montenegro, about fifteen miles from the Serbian border) has been reached. Some twelve hundred and fifty prisoners

were brought in.
On account of a threatened envelopment of their positions in the Cerna-Karasu-Vardar salient, the

Cerna-Karnsu-Vardar satient, the French have been compelled to give up their positions there. The Vienna report is a follows: Southeastern front: South of Plevlje we repulsed Montenegrin attacks. In the frontier section, north of Berane, our troops are attacking the Montenegrin main positions. Yes-terday at noon we stormed the en-trenchments rorth of Suhodof. South

trenchments to the of Suhodol. South of Novibazar we captured another thirteen hundred prisoners.

The district east of lpek was the scene yeasterday of further severe fighting, the enemy being everywhere repulsed and lowing six guns. Early to-day we penetrated into lpek, and the Bulgarians occupied Bjakova.

PULCAPIAN OCCUPANT. BULGARIAN OFFICIAL.

The division which was destined to cut off the retreat of the Serbian Monastir garrison was sent by way of Smilewv toward the Monastir-Resna road. This division, advancing, compelled the Serbians to evacuate Monastir on the 3d. To-day we occupied the town. Other divisions are advancing toward Ochrida and Dibra.

West of Prizrend the advance toward Djakova proceeded. About noon a division of our troops crossed the william security of the contress and the german Empire.

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a division of our troops crossed the White Drin and the evening of the 4th occupied Djakova.

The Albanians, who have been oppressed for two or three years by the Serbians, are revolting and are fighting against the Serbian bands was dering through the Albanian Moutains.

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### BERLIN WANTS TO TALK PEACE

Chancellor Welcomes Debate in Reichstag, Says Paris Report.

GERMANS SEEKING TO STIR PACIFISTS

Scheidemann, well known to be in har-many with the government and vio-lently opposed to the small group of opposition Socialists, of which Dr. Karl Liebknecht is the leader.

"The Social Democrats seek by means of the interpellation to prevent

express itself publicly on the question of peace, and they are endeavoring at the same time to facilitate indirectly the propaganda of certain groups of Socialist pacifists in Allied countries. "On his side, Chancellor von Beth-

"On his side. Chancellor von Beth-mann-Hollweg is satisfied to have an occasion to explain himself regarding conditions of peace, making it appear that he was being forced to the ex-pression by the popular will. The government thus could not be re-proached with having taken the initia-

tive in this matter."

The Chancellor, the correspondent asserts, also counts on certain neutral influences, particularly the Vatican and the White House, taking notice of the programme which he will set forth and making efforts to have it accepted. "Thus," says the dispatch, "the "Thus," says the dispatch, "the scenario is well prepared for the use

The Athens correspondent of the "Figare" sends an interview with M. Balougdjitch, Serbian Minister to Greece. He quotes the minister as fol-"The effects of the German Balkan

campaign are nil. The more fronts the Germans fight on the more rapidly will they exhaust themselves. The object of the Balkan undertaking was to strike the imagination and force peace. One of my neutral colleagues informed me that Germany asked a powerful pa-cifist organization in his country to start a movement in favor of peace, but that his government was opposed to the proceeding, knowing that it would be unfavorably received by England and France."
Telegraphing from Amsterdam, the correspondent of Reuter's Telegram

"George Bernhard, in the 'Vossische

Several Consolidate to Avoid Failure and All Practise Economy.

[By Cable to The Tribune.] London, Dec. 7.—Several important London clubs which have been barely able to maintain their existence since the outbreak of the war on account of the number of members who are absent and also the necessity for general economy are beginning to bend before the storm. Numerous consolidations have occurred to save the smaller clubs. The Royal Automobile Club has abolished its entrance fee of \$130 and reduced the subscription from \$55 to \$25. The club now has 10,000 members, but can accommodate 15,000.

As a consequence of the reduction 470 new members were elected last week. The Junior Constitutional Club has also reduced its entrance fees, while the United Empire has closed by sumers, or representatives of different sumers.

### LONDONERS FEAR DRAFT WILL COME

Three Days Left for Derby Plan

filling the ranks of the British army. Indications to-day are that much apprehension is felt over the outcome. Uneasiness prevails among men eligible for service who have not offered themselves. From all sides they hear warnings of what will occur if this week's enrolment does not bring the average.

Minister Delbrucck make a short statement, declaring that the regulation of the supply of fats was the most difficult task in the field of food regulations. He announced that the government had decided to permit the sale of imported butter at a higher price than that charged for the home article. this minority from voicing a claim Indications to day are that much appre-that it is inducing the government to hension is felt over the outcome. Unenrolment does not bring the average up to 30,000 a week, the quota specified by Lord Derby at the outset of the campaign.

The proposition advanced in certain quarters to allow more time is not meeting with favor. The limit having Winter Increases Sufferingbeen advanced once, those who have studied the situation do not believe a further delay would remedy the mat-ter. Some newspapers declare it a poor policy to allow any more time and dweil on the necessity of securing promptly the required number of men.

the required number of men.

Recruiting officials and orators all over the city are redoubling their efforts in the attempt to save the voluntary system, as it is recognized that in case the Derby plan fails there will be immediate action by Parliament and conscription will be a fact. In the event that the final date of voluntary enlistment is postponed until January 1, no steps toward compulsory service could be taken before February, when Parliament reassembles after the mid-winter recess. This, it is believed, would cause a serious setback in plans for the

for a heavy enlistment during the next few days, and will withhold their judg-ment until the last moment.

### The following official communication was issued at Sofia to-day: The division which was destined to The main and whole point is that TROOPS IN IN TROOPS IN WEST

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would keep on the western front French troops who might otherwise be sent to Salonica, and second, it would help to prop up the German morale, which suffered severely by reason of the Champagne defeat.

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The French believe that such a drive is contemplated and are making plans to meet it. Joffre will not undertake a new thrust until next year; the only operation of which Paris talks is this expected German offensive in the west. The French are prepared to hurl back such an assault should it come. They have had time to lay up a big supply of ammunition and to strengthen their positions. Such an offensive might even please the Allies, for they might make it the occasion of inflicting heavy losses on the enemy.

Launch Champagne Drive.

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Where this drive would be staged is not certain, but the indications are that it will take place in Artois and Belgium, where there has been the greatest concentration of artillery and men. A new German offensive in hampagne is reported by Paris tonight. It is the first infantry action of importance that has taken place in more than a fortnight. Berlin claims the capture of 250 metres of French trenches east of Auberive. Paris admits the loss, but says that most of the lost positions were regained.

This attack in Champagne may be an attempt to draw Allied forces from the Artois front, where the real offensive is planned. Heavy artillery actions are taking place in Belgium and the Northern France sector, foreshadowing, it is possible, vigorous infantry action. The Belgians are making preparations to resist a new German attack. These moves are indicated in the official communication issued tonight, which says:

"Positive indications permit of the conclusion that the extensive inundation in the region of the Yser has caused great difficulties to the opposing troops, who have abandoned, under the menace of the water, a great number of their advance works."

FRENCH OFFICIAL.

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In Belgium our artillery in concert with the Belgian artillery

cert with the Belgian rtillery shelled an enemy work in the region of Het Sas. The work was completely shattered and two munition depots were blown up.

In Artois the artillery engagements became more pronounced in the course of the day. The bombardment was violent on both sides in the region of Givenchy, to the north of the Bois en Hache, where fighting with large bombs likewise took place.

of the Bois en Hache, where fighting with large bombs likewise took place. In the sector of the road from Lille our artillery successfully shelled the enemy underground passages. In the Craonne district patrol fighting to our advantage is reported.

In Champagne the action continued for the possession of the advanced trench to the south of Saint Souplet. Our counter-attacks have already enabled us to regain a large part of the lost section. One other local attack, of slight importance, has occurred to the east of the Butte de Souain.

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The Belgian official communication reads: Besides effective shelling of enemy groups to the north and south of Dixmude, our batteries bombarded the German trenches in the direction of Woumen in retaliation for the employment by the enemy of shells containing irritating gases. In the sector of Steenstrete our artillery cooperated with the French batteries in the destruction of important enemy earthworks.

GERMAN OFFICIAL.

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Berlin gave out this statement:

Near Berry-au-Bac a large mine
was successfully exploded. A Fence
trench, with its occupants, was astroyed. An enemy mine position
that had been almost completed also

was destroyed.

East of Auberive, in the Champagne, about 250 metres of an advanced French trench was taken More than sixty men fell into our hands.

# LONDON CLUBS GROW FEWER MINISTERS UNDER **FIRE IN GERMANY**

#### Blamed for Food Troubles in Heated Debate in Reichstag Board.

Berlin, Dec. 7 .- Vigorous and unrestrained discussion of the problem of food regulation continues in the Budget Committee of the Reichstag. Reports of the debate indicate that attempts are being made to lay the blame U. S. SHIP SUNK, sumers, or representatives of different ministries. Both the Minister of the Interior, Clemens Delbrueck, and the Minister of Agriculture, Baron von to Durazzo. These were loaded with Schorlemer, have come under fire.

One Radical speaker directed his criticism against producers for desiring higher maximum prices. He pointed out that the German tariff system in Recruiting System.

[By Caple to The Tribute.]

London, Dec. 7.—Four days more will tell the story of the success or failure of Lord Derby's scheme for the purpose. Farmers should, therefore, be contented with small profits at the present.

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Minister Delbrueck make a short

### BELGIUM'S NEED OF CLOTHING GROWS

Hospital Flotilla Fund Gets \$1,640 More.

Need in Belgium, because of the approach of winter, is greater than ever, according to the Belgian Relief Commission last night. Concentration is being made on collecting clothing, piece goods and shoes. The Dollar Christmas Fund, of which Henry Clews is treasurer, yesterday appropriated \$25,-000 to buy children's shoes.

The Vacation War Relief Committee, of which Miss Anne Morgan is treasurer, announces the receipt by Miss Robinson Smith, chairman of the Flo recess. This, it is believed, would Robinson Smith, chairman of the Fio tubes. Her nor cause a serious setback in plans for the tilla Fund, of \$1,640 additional, making twenty-four men. There is a general feeling that promises have not been kept and that promises have not been kept and that voung men have not come forward as Cutting, \$500; Misses Cockroft, \$500; Lord Derby felt justified in expecting they would. However, recruiters look they would. However, recruiters look they would the parsons, Misses Elizabeth Hamilton, for a heavy enlistment during the next. Cutting, \$500; Misses Cockroit, \$500; Mrs. J. P. Morgan, jr., \$250; Mrs. John H. Parsons, Miss Elizabeth Hamilton, Mrs. James H. Hills, \$100 each; Mrs. E. L. Breese Norris, \$50; Mrs. Walker D. Hines, \$25; Mrs. Edwin B. Remick. \$10; Sympathizer, \$5.

Miss Smith has made arrangements with Mme. Calvé, Yvette Guilbert, Victor Morell, and other musicians to give a benefit concert at the Metropolitan Opera House January 4. Ten motor combuleres have been sent to France

Opera House January 4. Ten motor ambulances have been sent to France already and money is now being raised for five more.

Contributions received yesterday by Mrs. Whitney Warren, treasure of the Secours National Fund, 16 East Forty-seventh Street, amounted to \$423.10 for the relief of the destitute women and children of France. The largest gift was \$300 from Miss E. Louise Sands. Yesterday's additions make a total of \$118,299.45.

BRITISH DEFER NEW LOAN Treasury Bills to Pay for War Until After the New Year.

London, Dec. 7.—The "Times" states that the government has no intention of raising a fresh war loan until the new year is well advanced. Treasury bills will answer the purpose for some

time.

The Treasury officials have decided in principle how to deal with the American securities held in this country, but conferences are still being held to discuss the scheme in detail.

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# ANOTHER SHELLED

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munitions.

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Recent reports have been to the effect that Italian forces had been landed at Valona, Albania, to enter the Bakan campaign with the Entente Allies, and to-day's report of the putting ashore of munitions and of artillery attacks from shore against the Austrian warships seemingly gives verity trian warships seemingly gives verity to them. The text of the statement

follows:
The Austrian cruiser Novara, with some destroyers, on December 5 sank at San Giovanni di Medua three large and two small steamers and five large and several smal sali-ing vessels while they were discharg-ing war material. One steamer was blown up. Our flotilla was bom-barded very heavily from land by about twenty guns, but without suc-

cess. Our warships destroyed the French submarine Fresnel and captured the commander, the second officer and twenty-six men. In the night of November 23 an-other flotilla sank an Italian steamer

other flotilla sank an Italian steamer armed with three guns and an Italian motor sailing vessel, which was fully loaded and en route from Brindisi to Durazzo. The survivors of the steamer, including four marines, were captured. The crew of the motor sailing vessel were released in their beat-released where the sail of the sailing vessel were released in their beat-released.

Paris, Dec. 7.—"According to a German radiogram, the French submarine Fresnel was destroyed on December 5 by an Austrian warship," says a communication issued to-day at the Marine Ministry. "Two officers and twentysix men were captured."

The Fresnel, built in 1909, was 167 feet long, of 392 tons' displacement above water. She had six torpedo tubes. Her normal complement was twenty-four men.

An official statement issued to-night On the morning of the 4th an Aus-

On the morning of the 4th an Austrian squadron, composed of a cruiser and seven destroyers, bombarded San Giovanni di Medua. Two steamers, one of which was an Italian, were sunk, as well as ten Montenegrin sailing ships loaded with provisions. A French submarine has been destroyed near Boyana. The crew were taken prisoner. Montenegrin sailing ships loaded with provisions. A French submarine has been destroyed near Boyana. The crew were taken prisoner.

DINNER GIVEN FOR WHITLOCK

Ex-Ambassadors Herrick and Wilson

Praise Minister for Work.

Aday.

General Joffre, commander-in-chief of the French forces, presided, and the of the Fussian Army; Field Marshal French and Lieutenant-General Sir James W. Murray, of the British General Staff; General Pirot, of the Italian General Staff; Colonel Stepanovitch, of the Serbian Army, the chief of the Bellower of the Serbian Army the chief of the Bellower of the Serbian Army the chief of the Bellower of the Serbian Army the chief of the Bellower of the French forces, presided, and the of the French f

Praise Minister for Work.

Toledo, Ohio, Dec. 7.—Minister Brand Wilson Minister given to-night by Edward D.

Libbey to the members of the Ohio Commission for the Relief of European War Sufferers. The sixty-four guests included Myron T. Herrick, ex-Governor of Ohio and ex-Ambassador to France; Henry Lane Wilson, of Indianapolis, ex-Ambassador to Mexico and ex-Minister.

Toledo, Ohio, Dec. 7.—Minister Brand General Staff; Colonel Stepanovitch, of the Belliquant General Staff and a representative of the Serbian Army, the chief of the Belliquant General Staff and a representative of the Japanese Army.

It appears that the importance of the Japanese for a postponement of the fact that he is generalissimo, but that he is the chief member of the included Myron T. Herrick, ex-Governor military board whereon sit representatives of Britain, Italy and Russia, compensent was actuated solely by the details of China's reply to Japan's request for a postponement of the project.

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WHEN MY SHIP COMES IN

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### CHARLES SCRIBNER'S SONS

to Belgium; W. C. Edgar, of Minneapolis, and Edward E. Hunt, representing the Commission for Relief in Belgium.

Mr. Herrick and Mr. Whitlook and his work in Belgium.

Britain Plans to Block Ger

# ALLIED WAR COUNCIL

Second Meeting Held in Paris-

Paris, Dec. 7.—The second general war council of the Entente Allies was held at the General Headquarters to-held at the General Headquarters to-held at the General Headquarters to-held the General H

SENT TO SHANGHAI Britain Plans to Block German

# Intrigue in China.

Tokio, Dec. 7.—It is understood that Japan, in view of the disturbed conditions in Shanghai, will adopt measures for the protection of Japanese residents and interests there. Several Japanese warships are already on the spot and the cruiser Tsugaru, which has left Yokohama, is believed to be bound for Shanghai.

referring to the question of China allying herself with the Entente Powers, as she has been invited to do. As to the question of the reestablishment of the monarchy in China, the Foreign Minister said that China contemplated



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